

Coffee Break

By Adeline Daley

Now I know what they mean when they say a person departed "bag and baggage," because our oldest child, Kathy, just left to live away from home for the first time and with her she took every suitcase in the house.

Wait, I think she DID leave behind her father's leather shaving kit. Only because she discovered it was too small to pack some of the little extras she wanted to take, such as her make-up (a branch of the Max Factor factory), bobby pins, and hair-rollers. She needed a steamer trunk for those.

By the time she and her roommate, Janet, were ready to leave for college they looked like Doris Duke and Barbara Hutton prepared to embark on a world cruise. However, I doubt that the latter ever found it necessary to hire a truck to convey their goods. But how else do you move a hi-fi, radio, TV, some 20 pieces of luggage and boxes?

To hear the complaints from her stay-at-home sisters, it seems she took everything with her that wasn't tied down. (She'll be back for those later, Patrice and Eltane maintain.)

You see, what happens in large families such as ours is that possessions become interchangeable and nobody remembers who owns what over the years. Until now, that is, and Kathy maintains she has affidavits to prove ownership to such items as the community hairdryer, 80 per cent of the record albums, besides the best luggage.

However, I'll have to retrieve some suitcases, otherwise when my husband goes on his next business trip he'll be forced to wrap his possessions in a handkerchief tied onto the end of a stick.

Kathy's departure caused other expected developments; namely, a shake-up in the sleeping arrangements in the family. Being the only boy, Brian retains ownership of his nook off the rumpus room, but otherwise a game of "Musical Beds" is being played nightly. I am forever ordering the wrong kid to clean up her room, only to hear a chorus of "Diane doesn't sleep here anymore." Also Jan keeps getting lost at night and piles into bed with us.

For some strange reason the top of the bunk bed has become a status symbol for our younger children to fight over. Although we seem to have more bunk beds than a typical Army barracks, we don't have enough top bunk beds to go around.

Naturally, each of our kids would like a room of her own, the contention being that the "Other One" is always responsible for the mess. Thus, Kathy's departure was supposed to be similar to diverting "Hurricane Hannah." Aside from one wing of the house missing, I see no appreciable difference.

'Christian Fundamentals' Class Slated at Church

What does the Christian Church teach concerning the nature and authority of the Bible? What does it believe in regard to the person of Jesus of Nazareth?

These and other similar questions are being studied in a class on "Christian Fundamentals" meeting at the First Lutheran Church, 1725 Flower St.

Two sessions are offered. A day class which opened Thursday, will meet each Thursday at 10 a.m., while an evening class is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. each Friday. The classes will meet for the next 15 weeks.

The Rev. William Roleder, pastor of the church, will lead the classes.

West High Sends Four To College

Four West High students have enrolled at El Camino College this semester under the college's advanced placement program for high school students.

Attending El Camino are Stephen Pearlston, David Forbes, Harold Pretorius, and Dawn Linkletter.

All four youths are enrolled in a mathematics and calculus course, which they will attend for one period during the regular school day.

Homeowners Will Elect

Election of officers will be the first order of business for the newly organized Palo Del Amo Woods Homeowners' Association, according to Dave Adley, nominating committee chairman. Official status of the group was achieved Sept. 22 when the constitution was ratified.

Deadline for nominee submission is Oct. 6. Accepting nominations are Adley at 325-5884, Frank St. Amant, 325-8862, Truman McNeely at 325-9664, Patti Chikahisa at 325-9074 and Preston Grist at 325-7995.

Senate Approves Conversion Plan

The Senate has approved unanimously federal financial and technical participation as proposed by U. S. Senator Thomas H. Kuchel in a gigantic combination salt water conversion and power generation plant planned to supply mounting Southern California needs.

Under the Kuchel bill, jointly sponsored by five other Senators, the Interior Department and the Atomic Energy Commission would be partners with four California public and private utilities building and operating a nuclear-fueled facility to be erected on a man-made island off the Orange County coast. The installation would turn out 150,000,000 gallons of fresh water daily and have an electric energy capacity of 1,800 million watts.

CO-SPONSORS of the legislation authorizing federal participation were Senators Henry Jackson of Washington, the Senate Interior Committee chairman; Clinton P. Anderson of New Mexico, head of that group's Water and Power Resources Sub-

committee; George Murphy of California; Len B. Jordan of Idaho; and Paul J. Fannin of Arizona. The bill had unqualified endorsement of the Johnson Administration and was unanimously recommended by the Senate Interior Committee.

The projected plant will be constructed by a group headed by the Southern California Metropolitan Water District and including the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Southern California Edison Co., and San Diego Gas & Electric Co. The combine, Kuchel pointed out, will spend "more than one-third of a billion dollars" in the venture and the federal government will contribute an additional \$72.2 million.

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